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Dennis Breitzman, Area Manager Bureau of Reclamation PO Box 1017 Bismarck, ND 58502 APR 2 5 2006

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Re: Cooperating Agency Status for the Preparation of the Environmental Impact Statement for the Northwest Area Water Supply Project

Dear Denny:

Thank you for your invitation to be a cooperating agency for the preparation of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Northwest Area Water Supply (NAWS) Project.

The State Water Commission will accept the role of a cooperating agency as outlined in your letter dated April 7, 2006. In addition, we have decided to coordinate our efforts to support preparation of the EIS. We will provide the lead role in coordinating resources for the State, and will involve the State Health Department and State Game and Fish Department as appropriate. Our contact person is Michelle Klose, NAWS Project Manager, ND State Water Commission, (701) 328-4959.

If you have any questions, please call me at 701-328-4942.

Sincerely,

Dale Frink State Engineer DLF:MK:mmb

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